

REMARKS

Prior to this Amendment, Claims 1-13 were pending in the application. Claims 1-5 and 7-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Patent Application Publication US 2004/0002326 to Maher in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication Number 2002/0083145 to Perinpanathan in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,839,435 B1 to Ijima et al.; and Claims 6 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Patent Application Publication US 2004/0002326 to Maher in view of Perinpanathan in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,839,435 B1 to Ijima et al., and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,500,070 B1 to Tomizawa et al.

As indicated above, Claims 1 and 7 have been amended. No new matter has been presented. Claims 1-13 are now pending, with Claims 1 and 7 as independent claims.

Regarding the §103(a) rejection of Claims 1 and 7, these claims have been amended to recite:

wherein, if the resultant game score is successfully stored in the memory of the mobile game server, the mobile terminal stores game status information other than the resultant game score, and if the resultant game score is not successfully stored in the memory of the mobile game server, the mobile terminal stores the game status information including the resultant game score.

Regarding dependent Claims 4 and 11, the Examiner states:

Maher discloses a mobile game device that inherently stores not only the game score that the user of the device achieves in the game but also game status information that is not related to the game score (i.e. the present state of the game as executed) irregardless of the determining that the resultant game score has been successfully stored or not stored in the memory of the game server.” (Office

Action, page 6).

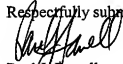
However, the cited references merely teach updating information on a server. In particular, the cited references fail to teach, disclose, or suggest that the features of amended Claims 1 and 7. As shown in page 16, line 17 to page 17, line 5 of the Specification of the present application, the mobile terminal stores game status information other than the resultant game score, or game status information including the resultant game score, according to whether the resultant game score is successfully stored in a memory of a mobile game server. Therefore, Claims 1 and 7 are not taught, disclosed, or suggested by the prior art references, neither alone nor in combination. Therefore, Claims 1 and 7 are patentable over the prior art. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections of Claims 1 and 7 is respectfully requested.

Claims 2-6 and 8-13 are dependent claims, and are believed to be in condition for allowance for at least the reasons given above with regard to their respective independent Claims 1 and 7.

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Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-13 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

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